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Application Number	09/890,027
Filing Date	July 24, 2001
First Named Inventor	Kobayashi et al.
Art Unit	1734
Examiner Name	M. Lazor
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- iii. ☐ Other _____
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- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/ Declaration(s)
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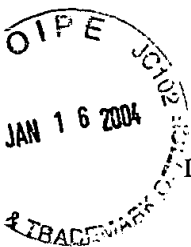
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AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING RCE

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office action dated September 17, 2003, Applicants hereby amend the claims and otherwise respond as follows in connection with the concurrent filing of a Request for Continuing Examination. The shortened period for response expired December 17, 2003, accordingly Applicants hereby petition for a one month extension of time. A check in the amount of \$110.00 for payment of the one month extension of time is enclosed. The extended due date for this response therefore is January 17, 2004. It is believed that there is no additional fee associated with the filing and consideration of this amendment, however, **should the Commissioner decide that any fee or fee deficiency is due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any and all fees incurred as a result of entering this amendment and response to deposit account number 03-0172.**

Please amend the application as follows: